GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5704
ANSWERED ON:30.04.2003
DISCRIMINATION AGAINST INDIANS
ASHOK KUMAR PATEL

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether cases of discrimination against Indians have come to light in UK as reported in the Newstime dated March 10, 2003;

(b) if so, the facts thereof;

(c) the details of the other such cases reported from various countries; and

(d) the nature of protest lodged by the Government with the concerned authorities and the outcome thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH)

(a)&(b) Government of India is aware of the particular case of discrimination against Ms Sushila Phillips, a British nationalwhose mother is of Indian origin, by Bristol University asreported in the Newstime of 10 March, 2003. The Universityin question has reportedly denied admission to Ms. Phillips.

(c) None.

(d) Since Ms. Phillips is a British citizen, Government of India cannot involve itself directly in the matter.